

Simeon Hart Home  
El Paso, Texas

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SIMEON HART'S ~~HOME AND~~ GRIST MILL  
El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

Present Owner: General Davis' Estate; Col. Joseph M. Cummings,  
executor, El Paso, Texas.

Date of Erection: 1859

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Simeon Hart

Present Condition: Condition of residence good; residence has been  
remodeled and modernized; as it exists, it has  
no architectural value. Only a portion of the  
grist mill remains; remainder destroyed.

Number of Stories: One

Materials of Construction: Residence built of adobe and plaster.  
Grist mill built of limestone.

Other Existing Records: None

Additional Data:

Simeon Hart's grist mill was built in 1849; nearby his  
home was built in 1859. The mill was the first mill in the settle-  
ment then called Franklin. Grain was brought from hundred of miles  
around for milling. A water wheel furnished power and stones the  
grinding agent.

The house is one story, contains eight or nine rooms,  
a wide center hall, and porches.

Simeon Hart, father of Juan Hart, an American, married  
a Mexican woman. Juan Hart's sister married General Davis; she  
inherited the place. General Davis, deceased, was the father of  
Mrs. Joseph M. Cummings, wife of Col. Joseph M. Cummings. This  
information was secured from Julio Urguidi, caretaker of the place.

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